



Catch Culver

City of Culver

February 2021

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Happy February!

I wanted to say it has been a pleasure meeting many of you who have come up and introduced yourselves over the last few months. I look forward to meeting many more of you in the near future.

As winter approaches, please be careful as the snow is coming. We look forward to your input as we continue to make Culver a better place. It has been such a joy to see kids headed back to school in person. Just remember to be careful to keep them safe as you drive in the mornings and afternoons. Again thank you all for the warm welcome!

Respectfully,

Jake Schwab
Culver Mayor

Last Chance to Get Firewood

The brush pile that was built as a result of the wind storm last summer has been available for wood cutting but will be closed on Feb. 28th. The Jefferson County Fire Department has agreed to burn the remaining pile and will do so as soon as weather permits after March 1st. Please make sure to get any wood you may want from the pile before then. If you have any questions, please contact city hall at 541-546-6494.

Bits & Pieces

* The Jefferson County Library is having a Groundhog Day Paperback Sale on Tuesday, Feb. 2nd from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Rodriguez Annex.

* Public Works has busy cleaning the lines with the Vactor Truck. Please be patient as they sometimes need to be parked in the streets.

CULVER HISTORY

Culver was first a stage stop near Haystack Reservoir and is named for its first postmaster, O.G. Collver. With the coming of the railroad, the town site was moved to its present location. When the governor issued a proclamation establishing Jefferson County in 1914, he also appointed a three man county court. They were to pick a temporary county seat. After twenty ballots in two days which all ended in one vote each for Culver, Metolius and Madras, the Metolius Commissioner cast his vote for Culver.

At the general election in 1916, Madras was voted in as the permanent county seat for the county, but Culver has the distinction of being the first Jefferson County seat. The building that housed the courthouse still stands today.

CITY EVENTS & CONTACT INFORMATION

Calendar of Events

Ground Hog Day	2
President's Day Office Closed	15
City Council Meeting	22

EMERGENCY 911

Fire Department.....	541-475-7274
Burn Info Recording.....	541-475-1789
Police Dispatch.....	541-475-2201
Animal Control.....	541-475-2201

City Contact List

City Council

- Jake Schwab, Mayor & Water/Waste Water
- Sharon Orr, Public Relations
- Hilario Diaz, Buildings & Fire
- Bart Carpenter, Parks
- Luke Middleton - Streets & Transportation
- Steve McCall - Stormwater
- Gretchen Schlie – Public Safety

City Staff

- Donna McCormack...541-419-5330
- Kim Symons.....541-678-2097



Minutes Culver City Council Meeting
January 25, 2021; 6:30 p.m.

MAYOR JAKE SCHWAB and **CITY COUNCILOR GRETCHEN SCHLIE WERE SWORN INTO OFFICE.** City Councilors Luke Middleton, Bart Carpenter, Steve McCall, Hilario Diaz, Gretchen Schlie as well as Mayor Jake Schwab were present. The **CONSENT AGENDA** was approved.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS : Presentations: Cindy Dix provided a Skate Park Project update. She indicated she spoke with the Bean Foundation and they have agreed to fund a grant writer and help with some matching funds. The project location has not been finalized but she included a proposed layout for the area identified which included in addition to a skate park but also parking, pickle ball, and a bike pump park. Tammy Baney and Scott Aycock with Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council introduced themselves and presented information on the services available. Sienna Fitzgerald also reported COIC helped with Culver's Strategic Plan and indicated COIC is available to help the city in the future. Johnathan Courtney & Dr. Michael Baker with the Jefferson Co. Health Dept. reported to the council on the Community COVID-19 and flu shot clinics they have been doing and explained when a community has a testing event, the vast majority of the tests are negative which provides a more accurate community rate so it helps a whole community to have more testing. The results of the testing are used to help keeps schools and businesses open and having a testing event in the community could lead to also having a vaccination event. The council agreed to partner with the health department to host a COVID-19 testing event.

Community Input: Patty Carpenter thanked the council for their decision to host an event. County Commissioner Mae Huston indicated businesses are opening up and she urged the community to support them. She also asked about having in-person meetings for the City Council and the attorney will speak with the County's attorney. Maurice Langley provided a website with information on COVID-19.

OLD BUSINESS: The Park Master Plan Scope of Work and Budget Proposal was presented and the council asked for it to be included on the agenda for the February meeting. The council directed the Public Hearing for the Flood Hazard Management Ordinance be prepared for the February meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: Councilor Luke Middleton was elected as the City Council President. The Council liaison appointments included: Gretchen Schlie, Public Safety & Code Enforcement; Sharron Orr, Public Relations; Hilario Diaz, City Buildings & Fire Department; Jake Schwab, Waste Water System; Bart Carpenter, Parks & Recreation; Luke Middleton, Streets & Transportation; and Steve McCall, Stormwater.

STAFF REPORTS; Public Works Supervisor Kim Symons reported: 1) She has been working on the ditches on Iris and the Vactor truck has been working well. 2) She has been creating a street light inventory. 3) The lift station project is going to bid and is moving forward. 4) The camera system is working well. 5) The storm repairs on the city property is underway with the park restroom being repaired but the contractor had to hold off due to weather issues. 6) She continues to monitor chlorine levels on water going into the wastewater system. Councilor Middleton suggested the city look into using LED lights for the street lights. City Recorder Donna McCormack reported she is working to prepare the budget for the 2021-22 fiscal year and asked the council to let her know of any projects or concerns they may have. Patti Carpenter reported the Chamber of Commerce is having a virtual banquet in February; they had good turnout for the Christmas Parade; there are masks, hand sanitizers and tents available for businesses to use; and Coffee Cuppers is meeting virtually. Attorney Paul Sumner reported the work on the Park Pavilion Project is being done by Matt Kemper and Randy Katz with the ZOOM meeting going well and the issues are being worked out. He is still working towards getting a firm timeline to submit to the state but the timeline depends on getting all the hurdles worked through. Concrete firms are being approached and the project is moving forward.

MAYOR & COUNCIL REPORTS: Councilor McCall expressed concern about the stormwater ditch and will discuss it with Kim Symons. Mayor Jake Schwab reported Stefanie Garber will provide a School District update at the next meeting. The council held an executive session and then the council rejected a billing from North Unit Irrigation District. The meeting was adjourned and the next regular meeting will be held on Monday, February 22, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

(The above is a summary of the city council actions. A complete copy of the minutes are available at Culver City Hall.)



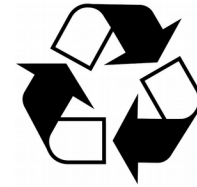
Notice of Public Hearing

Flood Hazard Management Ordinance

The City of Culver will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 22, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. to receive public testimony or comments regarding amendments to the Culver Municipal Code with a Flood Hazard Management Ordinance. All interested persons may appear, be heard, be represented by counsel, or send written signed testimony to Culver City Hall, PO Box 368, Culver, OR 97734. All written comments must be received by the City prior to the hearing date or submitted at the hearing.

Wastewater Project Update

The city is replacing the Lift station as it was built in the late 1970's and continues to fail. All of the preliminary engineering has been completed and the city is in the process of going to bid to select a contractor. After the bid closing on Feb. 16th, the council will award the bid and then the construction will begin within a few months. The project is expected to be completed by fall but as with all construction projects, there may be delays.



The Recycle Center is open each month on the first and third Saturday from 9:00 to 12:00 noon. The recycle center is located immediately west of the rail-road tracks on Iris Ave. (on the right after crossing the tracks.)

Worship Services

Culver Christian Church
501 Fourth Ave.
(541) 546-3301

Church of the Nazarene
600 Third Ave.
(541) 546-3473

Grace Fellowship Church
Corner of First & B St.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED – CITY COMMITTEE VACANCIES DECLARED

(Committee Application on back of this page)

The Culver City Council declared vacancies on both the Culver Budget Committee and the Planning Commission. If you are willing to help your community by serving on a committee, please complete the form on the back of this page and submit it to City Hall. Committee appointments will be made by the City Council on February 22nd at the City Council meeting.

DESCRIPTION OF COMMITTEES

Budget Committee — The Budget Committee consists of the city council and seven city residents. The committee meets only a couple of times a year, generally in April, to review the proposed budget and make recommendation to the city council. The appointment is for a three-year term and you must be a qualified elector (i.e. registered voter) of the city.

Planning Commission — The planning commission is a five-member board appointed by the Mayor whose primary purpose is to deal with a wide variety of land use issues within the city. Examples of duties include reviewing ordinances, taking public testimony, deciding upon subdivisions and other land use applications. Members are required to file an annual Statement of Economic Interest with the state.



CITY OF CULVER
APPLICATION FOR COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT

Name: _____

Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Work #: _____

E-mail Address: _____

How long have you lived in Culver? _____

Are you a registered voter living within the Culver city limits? Yes No

Please indicate which committee you would like to be appointed to:

Budget Committee

Planning Commission

Please describe why you would like to be appointed to the committee selected above.